



August 23, 2005

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality
1110 W. Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Kleinfelder, Inc. – Surety Credit

To Whom It May Concern:

It is our pleasure to provide you with a surety reference for Kleinfelder, Inc. in accordance with your prequalification process. Our relationship with Kleinfelder, Inc. has been excellent and all matters have been handled in a very satisfactory fashion.

The surety company for Kleinfelder, Inc. is the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company. Liberty is listed in the Treasury Circular 570 with underwriting limits of \$565,771,000 and rated "A" by the Best Guide. Liberty is licensed in all fifty states.

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company has favorably considered projects for Kleinfelder, Inc. and/or their member companies in excess of \$2,000,000, with an aggregate program in excess of \$4,000,000. Obviously any request for bonds would be contingent upon the underwriting information available at the time of such request.

Liberty has found Kleinfelder, Inc. to be a well-managed, well-financed firm and it has been our pleasure to service their surety program. In the event you should have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Lockton Companies

Melissa D. Evans
Assistant Vice President
Surety Operations